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Statement of MIKE MCCARTNEY Director

Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism before the

SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM

Friday, March 29, 2019 2:50 PM State Capitol, Conference Room

In consideration of

GM 624

SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY REVIEW BOARD, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JAMES LEE, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2020.

Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Taniguchi and members of the Senate Committee on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism. The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT) strongly supports the gubernatorial nomination of Mr. James Lee to serve as a member of the Small Business Regulatory Review Board (SBRRB).

Mr. Lee resides on the Island of Hawaii, and was referred by current SBRRB member, Mr. Garth Yamanaka. Mr. Lee is the Director of Development at W.H. Shipman, Ltd. in Kea'au. He is currently a member of the Hawaii Leeward Planning Conference, Hawaii County Fire Commission, and board member of Catholic Church Land Asset Management. He is also a past member/board member of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce & Industry Hawaii, Hawaii Island Chamber of Commerce, State Historic Preservation, and Historic Hawaii Foundation.

Based on Mr. Lee's diverse business experience, DBEDT has great confidence that Mr. Lee will contribute to the SBRRB's ongoing commitment to Hawaii's small business community. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in strong support of Mr. Lee's nomination to the SBRRB.



SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY REVIEW BOARD

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<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

TO: Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Taniguchi, and Members of the

Senate Committee on Energy, Economic Development, and

Tourism

FROM: Anthony Borge, Chairperson

Small Business Regulatory Review Board

DATE: March 29, 2019 – Room 414 at 2:50 p.m.

SUBJECT: GM 624 James Lee – Strong Support

On behalf of the Small Business Regulatory Review Board (SBRRB), I am providing testimony in strong support of the nomination of Mr. James (Kimo) Lee to serve as a member of the SBRRB.

Mr. Lee was highly recommended to be a member of this Board by current board member, Garth Yamanaka. He resides in Hilo, Hawaii, and has been active in various community organizations and boards for the past several years. He earned a Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration, holds a Hawaii State real estate license and currently works as the director of development at W.H. Shipman, Limited.

As the SBRRB chair, I am pleased to take this opportunity to testify in strong support of Mr. Lee's nomination to the SBRRB as a representative of the Island of Hawaii.